(a) the number of High Court Benches in the country, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government have received some demands for establishing additional benches;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL AFFAIRS, LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT AND DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP): (a) A statement showing the requisite information is attached

(b) to (d). No specific, complete proposal has been received from any State Government, in consultation with the Chief Justice of the concerned High Court, for establishing a bench of the High Court away from its principal seat.

STATEMENT

Name of the State/ Union Territory	Name of the High Court	Name of the Bench
1	2	3
Uttar Pradesh	Allahabad	Lucknow
Madhya Pradesh	Madhya Pradesh	Gwalior Indore
Maharashtra	Bombay	Nagpur Aurangabad
Bihar	Patna	Ranchi
Rajasthan	Rajasthan	Jaipur
Goa	Bombay	Panaji
Nagaland	Gauhati	Kohima
Mizoram	Gauhati	Aizawl
Manipur	Gauhati	Imphal
Tripura	Gauhati	Agartala
Meghalaya	Gauhati	Shillong

Sick Industries with B.I.F.R.

4477. DR. DEBI PROSAD PAL:
SHRI N.J. RATHWA:
SHRI MOHAMMAD ALI ASHRAF FATMI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of sick industrial units referred to and registered with Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) since its inception, State-wise, with particular reference to West Bengal;

(b) the number of references disposed of, year-wise, alongwith details and the number of cases still pending;

(c) the number of companies revived after implementation of revival schemes by BIFR, year-wise;

(d) whether the banks/financial institutions have provided facilities including reliefs/concessions to such units in terms of sanctioned scheme recommended by BIFR;

(e) if not, the number of such cases recorded so far and the remedial steps taken or proposed to be taken in this regard; and

(f) the measures being taken for disposal of cases speedily?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) The Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) has reported that upto 31.07.1996, 2595 references received by it, out of which 1807 references were registered under the provisions of Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985 (SICA). The State-wise details of cases registered with BIFR as on 31.07.1996 including that of West Bengal are given in the attached statement.

(b) BIFR has reported that out of 1807 references registered with it upto 31.07.1996, 1435 cases have been disposed of while cases of 372 sick industrial companies were pending with BIFR. The details of cases disposed of are as under:

Cases dismissed as non-maintainable	404
Rehabilitation schemes sanctioned	435
Winding up recommended to concerned High Court	452
Cases declared no longer sick	125
Cases dropped after net worth became positive	19

(c) BIFR has further reported that upto 31.07.1996, 125 sick industrial companies have been declared as no longer sick and are out of purview of BIFR after successful implementation of revival schemes sanctioned. Year-wise details of such companies are as follows:

Year	No. of Companies
1987	Nil
1988	7
1989	11
1990	10
1991	33
1992	3
1993	22
1994	19
1995	20
1996	50

(d) and (e). Where a scheme for rehabilitation of sick company is approved/sanctioned by the BIFR under section 17(2) or 18(4) of SICA, it is binding on all the parties concerned including banks/financial institutions to provide facilities in terms of the sanctioned scheme. In case of failure to comply with the provisions of a sanctioned scheme, BIFR has powers to invoke penal provisions as provided under section 33 of SICA. As on 30.06.1996, BIFR had issued show-cause notices to banks/financial institutions concerned in respect of nine cases to explain the delay in complying with the provisions of the sanctioned scheme.

(f) BIFR has reported that it has streamlined its procedures, has reduced the time lag in hearing and has shortened the overall duration of proceedings to ensure expeditious disposal of cases.

STATEMENT

Sl. No.	State	No. of cases registered
1.	Andhra Pradesh	211
2.	Assam	8
3.	Bihar	55
4.	Chandigarh	2
5.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	4
6.	Goa, Daman & Diu	6
7.	Gujarat	164
8.	Haryana	56
9.	Himachal Pradesh	35
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	6
11.	Kerala	64
12.	Karnataka	119
13.	Madhya Pradesh	92
14.	Maharashtra	283
15.	NCT of Delhi	12
16.	Nagaland	1
17.	Orissa	35
18.	Pondicherry	10
19.	Punjab	54
20.	Rajasthan	85
21.	Tamil Nadu	143
22.	Tripura	1
23.	Uttar Pradesh	185
24.	West Bengal	176
	Total	1807

Adoption of Eco-friendly Technologies

4478. SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government so far to ensure that the textile-mills under NTC and other mills adopt eco-friendly technologies and ensure treatment of all polluting effluents in pursuance of the global agreement for adoption of eco-friendly technologies;

(b) the progress made in this direction indicating the number of textile mills in different States especially Maharashtra, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh and Orissa which